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March 28, 2016

Gina McCarthy
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
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Dear Administrator McCarthy,

I am pleased to write on behalf of my constituent, Kenneth Gembel, who has applied to serve on the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council.

Kenneth has been involved in environmental issues for much of his career. My staff and I met with Kenneth numerous times in his role as a member of General Motors Regulatory and Legislative Group to discuss environmental issues impacting the automobile industry and found him to be very knowledgeable and informative. In addition to his long-term work with the automotive industry in environmental management and emergency planning, training and response, he has been actively involved with state and local emergency management groups.

As you can see from his resume, he has stayed very active in this field after retiring from General Motors. He currently serves as Chair of the State Emergency Response Commission, holds certifications from the State of Michigan in emergency response, served on the EPA National Environmental Education Advisory Council and is an adjunct instructor at Wayne State University.

I know Kenneth has a strong desire to contribute his knowledge and perspective to the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council and hope you will give his application strong consideration.

Sincerely,

Debbie Stabenow United States Senator

CC: Matthew Tejada, Director, Office of Environmental Justice, EPA

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February 23, 2016

The Honorable Gina McCarthy Administrator Environmental Protection Agency William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Honorable McCarthy:

It has come to my attention that Citizen Shale has recently submitted a proposal for funding under the Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving Cooperative Agreement program to address air quality and community health impacts near Maryland's only natural gas storage facility.

Citizen Shale is an all-volunteer organization established in 2011 to give western Marylanders a voice for expressing concerns and threats posed by shale gas development. The subject of their grant proposal is the Spectra Energy natural gas storage and compression plant in Accident, MD. The level of emissions Spectra Energy reports to the Maryland Department of the Environment cause the plant to be in non-attainment with the Clean Air Act. Such emissions are known to cause adverse human health impacts, and residents have expressed health concerns anecdotally. Citizen Shale seeks EPA assistance in this first attempt to determine if other toxic substances are also being released, and, if so, to measure them. Citizen Shale has arranged for the assistance of outside agencies and researchers, such as the Garrett County Health Department and the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Sciences Appalachian Lab at Frostburg State University, to assist in the project.

I respectfully request that you give all due consideration to this application, in accordance with established policies and procedures. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Cardin United States Senator

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February 12, 2016

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RE: CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE (CFDA) NUMBER: 66.306

Dear Sheila,

I write in support of the El Centro de la Raza's application for the Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem Solving (EJCPS) Cooperative Agreement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

El Centro de la Raza and the Beacon Hill Environmental Health Collaboration are requesting funds to build knowledge and capacity within Seattle's Beacon Hill community to increase awareness and understanding of the health impacts brought about by exposure to air and noise pollution across the entire community, and to gather feedback from community members to create an action plan to address these concerns. While some Beacon Hill residents are aware of the environmental health concerns present in the neighborhood, there is not uniform awareness across language groups about these concerns, and many Beacon Hill residents have barriers to accessing this information.

If awarded this grant, it is my understanding that the funding will allow El Centro de la Raza and its partners to provide a technical panel of subject experts that will compile community-friendly, readily-understood materials that detail cumulative environmental, public health and air and noise pollution impacts in Beacon Hill. These materials will be used to prepare cross-culturally and linguistically competent (CLC) outreach and training materials for community meetings, translated into six languages. Bilingual organizers (who are Beacon Hill residents or have significant, lasting connections to the community) will conduct the community meetings and compile feedback. The steering committee will review feedback and create an action plan. Organizers will then report back to residents in follow-up meetings about the action plan and how they can be involved.

Thank you for your attention to this grant request. I urge you to give their application full and fair consideration, following all applicable rules and regulations. If you have questions regarding this request, please contact Shakisha Ross, Grants Coordinator, at (425) 793-5180.

Sincerely,

Adam Smith Member of Congress

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